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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**


Applicants hereby make the Examiner aware of the following information. The Phantom<sup>®</sup> nasal mask, substantially similar to the mask described in U.S. Patent No. 6,019,101 to Cotner *et al.*, was on sale in the United States before June 8, 1998. It is believed that this nasal mask included a seal filled with a silicone material having a durometer value of less than about ten on a Shore 000 scale. It is not believed that the seal is configured to seal against external skin proximate at least one naris at a base of a nose of a user.

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